

CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Special Council Meeting

May 19, 2008

Call to Order: Mr. James at 6:20 p.m.

Roll Call: Mrs. Hummel, present; Mrs. Colavecchio, present; Mr. Walters, present; Mrs. Ritzinger, present; Mr. Ihasz, present; Mr. Rubino, present; Mrs. Klinger, present; Mrs. Pyke, present; Mr. Barnhart, present; Mr. Mader, present; Mr. James, present.

Mr. James stated the purpose of the Special Council Meeting was to allow a vote to dissolve into executive session for the purpose of holding discussions with legal counsel concerning pending litigation.

Mrs. Hummel moved to dissolve into executive session to discuss pending litigation and also to conduct a finance committee on Sub. Temp. Ord. A-15 (dated 5-16-08) and Temp. Ord. A-39 and bring them out for a vote, second by Mr. Barnhart. Mr. James indicated that Mrs. Klinger was excused from voting on this matter due to a conflict of interest. Roll call: Mrs. Hummel, yes; Mrs. Colavecchio, yes; Mr. Walters, yes; Mrs. Ritzinger, yes; Mr. Ihasz, yes; Mr. Rubino, yes; Mrs. Klinger, yes; Mrs. Pyke, yes; Mr. Barnhart, yes; Mr. Mader, yes; Mr. James, yes. Motion passed (11-0).

Council recessed at 6:25 p.m. and reconvened at 8:43 p.m.

Report of Finance Committee

Sub. Temp. Ord. A-15 (dated 5-16-08)

An ordinance authorizing a settlement in the cases of *City of Cuyahoga Falls v. State Road Associates, et al.*, and *State Road Associations v. City of Cuyahoga Falls*, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Walters moved to adopt Sub. Temp. Ord. A-15 (dated 5-16-08), second by Mrs. Ritzinger. Mr. Walters stated the shopping center has been a topic of discussion for many years. The City was faced with unmotivated owners who had little vision for the shopping center's future causing the City to flex its legal muscle to spark negotiations with the owners. He recognized Virgil Arrington for the hard work he has put into the settlement and pointed out that with passage of this ordinance, the City's work has just begun. The burden will shift from the Law Department to Community Development to ensure that the residents receive an excellent return on this large investment for their tax dollars. The end result must include job creation and increased property and income tax, all of which will benefit the residents, schools and City. Motion passed, voice vote (10-0).

Temp. Ord. A-39

An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of not to exceed \$11,000,000 principal amount of notes, in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, for the purpose of revitalizing the State Road Redevelopment Area by acquiring, clearing and improving certain properties in that area, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Walters moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-39, second by Mrs. Ritzinger. Motion passed, voice vote (10-0).

Miscellaneous Business: None

Mrs. Hummel moved to adjourn, second by Mrs. Pyke. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0). The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Jerry James, Council President

Cathleen J. Meacham, Clerk of Council